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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of: Mathew McPherson  
Application No.: 09/852,253  
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For: ARRANGEMENT OF A SOUND HOLE AND CONSTRUCTION OF A SOUND HOLE BOARD IN AN ACOUSTIC GUITAR  
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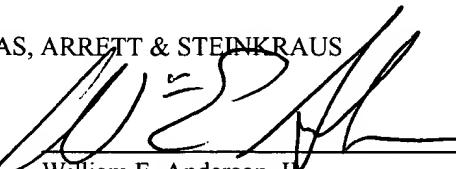
Docket No.: M55.2-9888

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

1. In regard to the above-identified application, we are submitting the attached:  
**3pgs Original Declaration; 1pg Original Power of Attorney from Inventor(s); Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status (Inventor form); copy of Part 2-Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application; 1 check in the amount of \$65.00; VAS transmittal and return postcard.**
2. With respect to fees:  
 No additional fee is required.  
 Attached is check(s) in the amount of \$65.00  
 Charge additional fee to our Deposit Account No. 22-0350.
3. **CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**  
This conditional petition is being filed along with the papers identified in Item 1 above and provides for the possibility that Applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time or for a petition and fee for any other matter petitionable to the Commissioner as required. If any extension of time for the accompanying response is required or if a petition for any other matter is required, by petitioner, Applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor.
4. Notwithstanding paragraph 2 above, if any additional fees associated with this communication are required and have not otherwise been paid, including any fee associated with the Conditional Petition for Extension of Time, or any request in the accompanying papers for action which requires a fee as a petition to the Commissioner, please charge the additional fees to Deposit Account No. 22-0350. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment associated with this communication to the Deposit Account No. 22-0350.

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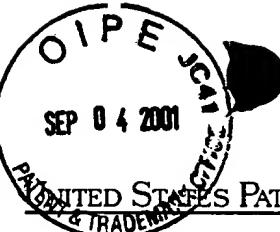
  
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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

## FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 65.**

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